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Re:

U.S. Patent Application — Serial No. 08/737,201

Applicant:

**PAUL CHARLES** 

Title:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR EXPANSION

OF A COMPUTER

Group Art Unit: 2763

Attorney Docket No. T2844.NAT.US

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application are seventeen (17) sheets of formal drawings. The Issue Fee was paid and mailed today under separate cover.

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Dear Ms. McAskill:

Applicant respectfully requests that the above indicated, allowed application be advanced for printing and that further processing of this application be "special" as provided for in MPEP § 1309(6). This request is being filed after the Notice of Allowance has been received and before the issue fee is paid.

Mary Louise McAskill Manager of Publishing Division Page 2

Although no standard for advancing the printing date is provided in the MPEP or other regulation or statute, the Applicant respectfully requests advancement because the Applicant is anxiously waiting to begin promotional activities for products covered by the above identified patent. Such promotional activities contemplate taking advantage of the patented nature of the products by touting that the product is indeed patented. In addition, such promotional activities contemplate utilizing the actual patent number.

Because of the highly competitive nature of the industry in which the Applicant's invention exits, it is necessary to vigorously assert intellectual property rights. In order for the Applicant's invention to succeed, it is necessary for the Applicant to begin asserting the patent rights as soon as possible. In addition, it is necessary that the patent number be received as soon as possible so that such information may be incorporated into the promotional activities. In order to expedite the issuance of the above identified patent, the Applicant has made every effort to facilitate prosecution of the application, including participating in an interview with the Examiner.

Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests that the above indicated, allowed application be advanced for printing and that further processing of this application be "special" as provided for in MPEP § 1309(6).

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